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Applicant filed the present Continuation Application on February 27, 2004. The application included a Preliminary Amendment in which the specification of the application was amended to include a priority claim to S/N 10/364,288. Applicant unintentionally failed to claim priority to the parent application of U.S. 10/364,288 at the time of filing the present application. The parent application has issued as U.S. 6,520,199 (S/N 09/755,316). Applicant recognized the incomplete priority claim and amended the specification to include a priority claim to U.S. 6,520,199 in an Amendment filed on July 8, 2004. This amendment to the specification was not entered because the claim of priority to U.S. 6,520,199 was made more than four months after filing the present application and more than 16 months after U.S. 10/364,288 was filed (See 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(2) and (a)(5)).

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Applicant submits that the entire delay between the date the priority claim to U.S. 6,520,199 was due and the Amendment filed on July 8, 2004, to include a proper priority claim to U.S. 6,520,199 was unintentional. Applicant requests entry of the amendment to the present specification submitted in the Amendment filed on July 8, 2004, to include a priority claim to U.S. 6,520,199. A petition surcharge in the amount of \$1,370 is included herewith according to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(t).

Respectfully submitted,

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